

## **Iowa Gold Star Cycle Menu**



### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- The Iowa Gold Star Cycle Menus meet the Gold criteria for HealthierUS School Challenge, includes locally grown fruit/vegetable options, and offers healthy USDA Foods.
- All menus include a choice of non-fat or 1% milk.
- The second vegetable and the first fruit listed are fresh.
- The menu follows a food-based menu planning approach, which is in line with the Proposed Rule for NSLP Nutrition Standards/IOM recommendations.
- If a school is on the enhanced menu planning method, additional grains of up to 15 servings per week, may need to be added. All menus provide at least 8 grain servings/week.
- Nutrition analysis using NutriKids is available using simple averaging, following the IOM recommendations of 2 servings of vegetable and 1 serving fruit daily.
- Target calories per IOM recommendations are 600-700 calories/day; and 750-850 calories/day when the optional healthy dessert is served 1/week.
- A whole grain product in indicated by WG in the menu.

### Recipes and other supporting resources are available at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/iowagoldstarmenu">http://tinyurl.com/iowagoldstarmenu</a>

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 Chicken Strips Cheesy Mascot Bread w/Marinara Sauce  Roasted Squash Cuban Black Bean Salad  Kiwi Sliced Pears Cornbread	Hamburger on Bun Chicken Brown Rice Bowl with Vegetables  Sweet Potato Fries Sliced Peppers and Cherry Tomatoes w/Ranch Dip  Frozen Melon Balls or Fresh Melon Pineapple  Winter Alternate Entrée: Chicken a la King over Whole Wheat Biscuit	WG Beef and Bean Enchilada Low-Fat Turkey Corn Dog  Mexicali Corn Mixed Greens Salad  Banana Fruit Cup WG Corn Tortilla Chips	Turkey w/ Gravy Baked Fish Shapes  Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Florets  Red Seedless Grapes w/Fruit Dip Mandarin Oranges WG Sage Dressing with Dried Cherries  Spring Alternate Entrée: Turkey Sandwich on WG bun, WG Pasta Salad, Chef Cyndie's Spring Salad w/Pear Vinaigrette	WG Cheese Pizza Hot Ham and Cheese on WG Bagel  Carrots Marinated Fresh Vegetable Salad  Red Apple Slices w/Caramel Sauce Peach Slices  Dessert (Optional) WG Apple Crisp



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#### WEEK 2

Turkey Tetrazzini with WG Noodles WG Sausage Pizza Wedge

California Blend Veggies Carrot Raisin Salad

> Seasonal Fruit Fruit Cocktail

Mandarin Orange Chicken with Brown Rice Beef Lasagna

Green Peas Spinach Salad w/Grape Tomatoes

Fresh Orange Wedge Strawberry Applesauce Whole Wheat Breadstick Chili with Beans Cheese Omelet

Tri Tater or Potato Wedge Carrots and Celery Sticks w/Ranch Dip

Banana
Pineapple Tidbits
Homemade Whole Wheat
Cinnamon Roll

Alternate Entrées: White Chili with Beans WG Pancakes and Turkey Sausage Stromboli Bites Turkey Club on WG Bun

Sautéed Summer Squash Mixed Greens Salad

Green Apple Slices w/Fruit Dip Sliced Pears Chicken Quesadilla Oven Baked Fish on WG Bun

> Stir-fry Veggies Fresh Broccoli and Cauliflower

> > Green Grapes Apricots

Spring Alternate Entrée: Fish Taco

<u>Dessert (Optional)</u> Oatmeal Whole Wheat Raisin Cookie

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WEEK 3 WG Pepperoni Pizza Chef Salad with Grilled Fajita Chicken Strips and Whole Wheat Breadstick  Sweet Potato Salad with Citrus Vinaigrette Raw Veggies Sticks w/Ranch Dip  Frozen Melon Balls or Fresh Melon Mandarin Oranges	Low Fat Hot Dog and WG Bun Sloppy Joe on WG Bun Baked Beans Mixed Greens Salad  Banana Tropical Fruit  Dessert (Optional) Applesauce Cake or Carrot Cake	Chef BJ's Pork Roast w/ Apples and WG Roll Chicken Caesar Wrap  Oven Brown Potatoes Savory Carrots  Strawberries Apple Slices  Spring Alternate Entrée: Cuban Pork Sandwich on WG Bun	Beef and Bean Nachos w/ WG Corn Tortilla Chips and Salsa Honey Mustard Deli Wrap w/ Multigrain Sun Chips  Green Beans Cucumber Slices w/Ranch Dip  Orange Wedge Sliced Peaches	Cheesy Broccoli Omelet French Toast Sticks Tuna Salad Sandwich  Tater Tots Spinach Salad w/Grape Tomatoes  Red and Green Apple Slices w/Fruit Dip Blueberries  Spring Alternate Entrée: Tuna Melt on WG Pita



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Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Fajita Chicken Wrap

Green Beans Fresh Cucumber Slices w/Ranch Dip

> Orange Wedges Spiced apples

Spring Alternate Entrée: Mini Lasagna Bites

Dessert (Optional)
Pumpkin Bar

Breaded Pork Tenderloin Sandwich on WG Bun Pizza Dippers w/ Marinara

Baked Beans Sweet Potato Crisp Cuts

Fresh/Frozen Blueberries Fruit Cocktail Chicken and Spinach Alfredo WG Pasta and Whole Wheat Breadstick Deli Combo Sub

Sautéed Zucchini Squash Mixed Greens Salad

> Banana Peaches

Beef Taco Salad w/ WG Roll Popcorn Chicken with Brown Rice

Carrot and Celery Sticks Hummus

Apple Wedge w/Fruit Dip Pineapple Melon Salsa

Winter Alternate Entrée: Chipotle Chicken Burrito

Chicken Nuggets

Grilled Cheese with Tomato Soup

Snap Peas Three-Bean Salad

Fresh/Frozen Strawberries Mandarin Oranges WG Roll

Dessert (Optional)
Banana Cake

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